I am writing to comment on Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air a political (anti-Kerry) documentary days before the election. This is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Using their station licenses to promote a partisan political position (for either side) is a breaking of the public trust and must be prohibited.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them.

Thank you. Richard Oberndorf